

Approved as Submitted: November 16, 2005

**CITY OF MORGAN HILL  
JOINT SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL  
ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD,  
BICYCLE & TRAILS ADVISORY COMMITTEE, LIBRARY CULTURE & ARTS  
COMMISSION, MOBILE HOME RENT COMMISSION, CORPORATION YARD  
COMMISSION, PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION, PLANNING COMMISSION,  
SENIOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE, YOUTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MINUTES – NOVEMBER 9, 2005**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Kennedy called the special meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

**ROLL CALL ATTENDANCE**

**City Council**

Present: Council Members Carr, Grzan, Sellers, Tate and Mayor Kennedy

**Architectural Review Board**

Present: Fruit, Pyle  
Absent: Kennett, Martin

**Bicycle & Trails Advisory Committee**

Present: Clark  
Absent: Cheu, Hauge, Hubbell, McCann, Roam

**Library, Culture & Arts Commission**

Present: Anderson, Cameron, Cook, Dillmann, Macchia  
Absent: Gregg

**Mobile Home Rent Stabilization Commission**

Present: Dillmann, Edwards  
Absent: Graham, Koehler, Liegl

**Corporation Yard Commission**

Present: Knopf

**Park & Recreation Commission**

Present: Frederick, Green, Hardt-Mason, Librers, van Keulen  
Absent: Bernardini, Hagiperos

**Planning Commission**

Present: Acevedo, Benich Davenport, Escobar, Koepp-Baker, Mueller  
Absent: None

**Senior Advisory Committee**

Present: Cram, Gigliotti, Johnston  
Absent: Fent, Riley, Subocz

**Youth Advisory Committee**

Present: Tirza Banuelos, Del Carlo, Patel, Soult, Lucarelli  
Absent: Isela Banuelos, Corbin, Hosseini, Hui, Rahim

**DECLARATION OF POSTING OF AGENDA**

City Clerk Torrez certified that the special meeting agenda was duly noticed and posted in accordance with Government Code 54954.2.

## **SILENT INVOCATION**

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Bert Berson informed the Council that his dog and he were attacked by pit bulls and that his dog required surgery. He indicated that one of the pit bulls was shot by a police officer and the other was destroyed. He stated that this has been the third violation of pit bull attacks in three months near the El Toro Elementary School. He said that the pit bulls showed no aggression at first, and then attacked without warning. He presented the City Council with a packet of information containing prepared comments/notes of what he believes work and does not work on the control of pit bulls and other dangerous animals in the City of Morgan Hill. The packet of information also included a recent San Francisco Chronicle article regarding legislation concerning pit bulls and other dangerous animals, and a portion of the City of Denver's animal control ordinance as it relates to pit bulls.

Council Member Carr indicated that he and Mayor Pro Tempore Tate serve on the Public Safety and Community Services Committee. He has asked that staff agendaize the topic of pit bulls and other dangerous animals for Committee discussion at the upcoming November 16 meeting.

Jack Dilles, Finance Director, indicated that the City is embarking on a "Community Conversation." He invited board, committee, and commission members to assist the City of Morgan Hill with the Community Conversation. He said that the Community Conversation will ask citizens what services the community desires and how these services should be paid for. It is the Council's goal to receive input, from a broad range of community members, on the types of municipal services citizens want for children and the community. He felt that it would be appropriate for the groups in attendance this evening to participate in the Community Conversation – as leaders. He requested that he be contacted should there be questions about the Community Conversation process.

No further comments were offered.

## **WORKSHOP**

### **1. ETHICS TRAINING WORKSHOP**

Mayor Kennedy stated that the Council and staff have been working on a process for an ethics policy that is value-based versus a rule-based policy over the past 18-months. He explained the process that lead to the policy currently in place and felt that it is a good policy. He addressed the following core values: honesty, respect, responsibility, fairness and loyalty.

Mayor Pro Tempore Tate said that he is happy and proud to be here this evening to discuss the adopted Ethics Policy after a two-year process. He stated that by no means is the policy

complete. He indicated that the policy will be revisited, from time to time, and amended accordingly. The ethics policy contains core values that were derived by ethics committee consensus, and includes examples. He stated that the ethics policy needs to be a focus for everyone representing the City. He facilitated a discussion on the value-based ethics policy and related examples presented by board and commission members in attendance. He indicated that the City will remind everyone of the ethics policy, on a yearly basis.

Everyone in attendance symbolically signed the ethics policy that will be hung commemorating this historic event.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Mayor Kennedy adjourned the special meeting at 8:45 p.m.

### **MINUTES RECORDED AND PREPARED BY:**

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**IRMA TORREZ, CITY CLERK**